SANTA FE TRAIL REMAINS

9 miles west of Dodge City on U.S. Route 50

From 1822 to 1873, until the railroad made it obsolete, the Santa Fe Trail was one of the West's great commercial, emigrant, and military routes. As such, it helped fuse the Southwest to the rest of the nation. The longest continuous stretch of clearly defined ruts made by countless thousands of wagons remains, nine miles west of Dodge City, in an area preserved by the city's Boothill Association.